DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Review Committee: Meeting

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior. **ACTION:** Notice

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C. Appendix (1988), that a meeting of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Review Committee will be held on November 18, 19, and 20, 1999 in Salt Lake City, Utah.

The Committee will meet at the Hilton Salt Lake City; telephone: (800) 421-7602 or inside Utah (901) 532-3344, fax: (801) 531-0705, located at 150 West 500 South, Salt Lake City, Utah. Meetings will begin at 8:30 a.m. and will end no later than 5:00 p.m. each day.

The Native American Graves
Protection and Repatriation Review
Committee was established by Public
Law 101-601 to monitor, review, and
assist in implementation of the
inventory and identification process and
repatriation activities required under
the Native American Graves Protection
and Repatriation Act.

The agenda for this meeting will include: disposition of culturally unidentifiable human remains; and discussions of the dispute between the Hopi Tribe and Chaco Culture National Historical Park, NM.

The meeting will be open to the public. However, facilities and space for accommodating members of the public are limited. Persons will be accommodated on a first-come, firstserved basis. Persons wishing to make a presentation to the committee should submit a request to do so by October 22, 1999. Please clearly state what you would like to discuss, how much time you estimate that you will need, and your contact information. Any member of the public may also file a written statement for consideration by the committee by November 2, 1999. Both written requests and statements should be addressed to the committee in care of the Departmental Consulting

A block of lodging rooms has been set aside at the Hilton Salt Lake City, at a significantly reduced rate. Reservations must be booked with the hotel by October 25, 1999 to guarantee the reduced rate. Please reference the National Park Service and mention that you are attending the NAGPRA Review Committee Meeting.

Individuals seeking further information concerning this meeting may contact Dr. C. Timothy McKeown, Ms. Jean Kelley, or Ms. Laura Mahoney, Archeology and Ethnography Program, National Park Service, 1849 C St. NW, NC340/MS 2275, Washington, DC 20240; telephone: (202) 343-4101. Transcripts of the meeting will be available for public inspection approximately eight weeks after the meeting at the office of the Departmental Consulting Archeologist, 800 North Capitol St., NW, Suite 340, Washington, DC.

Dated: September 23, 1999.

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Departmental Consulting Archeologist, Manager, Archeology and Ethnography Program.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Notice of Inventory Completion for Native American Human Remains and Associated Funerary Objects in the Control of the Naval Air Station, Whidbey Island, United States Navy, Oak Harbor, WA

AGENCY: National Park Service. **ACTION:** Notice.

Notice is hereby given in accordance with provisions of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), 43 CFR 10.9, of the completion of an inventory of human remains and associated funerary objects in the control of the Naval Air Station, Whidbey Island, United States Navy, Oak Harbor, WA.

A detailed assessment of the human remains was made by U.S. Navy and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers professional staff in consultation with representatives of the Swinomish Indians of the Swinomish Reservation.

During 1983-1985, human remains representing a minimum of 15 individuals were recovered from Maylor Point, Whidbey Island, WA by Dr. Astrida R. Blukis Onat following their exposure from natural erosion. No known individuals were identified. The ten associated funerary objects include two metal disks and eight pieces of copper.

Based on the condition of the human remains, associated funerary objects, and condition of the human remains, these human remains have been identified as Native American dating prior to European contact. Based on anthropological literature, field notes, and excavation records, there is a shared group identity between these human remains and the Swinomish Indians of the Swinomish Reservation.

Based on the above mentioned information, officials of the United States Navy have determined that, pursuant to 43 CFR 10.2 (d)(1), the human remains listed above represent the physical remains of a minimum of 15 individuals of Native American ancestry. Officials of the United States Navy have also determined that, pursuant to 43 CFR 10.2 (d)(2), the ten objects listed above are reasonably believed to have been placed with or near individual human remains at the time of death or later as part of the death rite or ceremony. Lastly, officials of the United States Navy have determined that, pursuant to 43 CFR 10.2 (e), there is a relationship of shared group identity which can be reasonably traced between these Native American human remains and associated funerary objects and the Swinomish Indians of the Swinomish Reservation.

This notice has been sent to officials of the Swinomish Indians of the Swinomish Reservation. Representatives of any other Indian tribe that believes itself to be culturally affiliated with these human remains and associated funerary objects should contact Mr. Steve Pennix, Naval Air Station, Whidbey Island, Environmental Affairs Department, 1100 W. Lexington Street, Oak Harbor, WA 98278; telephone: (360) 257-1009, before October 29, 1999. Repatriation of the human remains and associated funerary objects to the Swinomish Indians of the Swinomish Reservation may begin after that date if no additional claimants come forward. Dated: September 23, 1999.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

National Park Service

Notice of Inventory Completion for Native American Human Remains and Associated Funerary Objects in the Possession of the Outagamie County Historical Society, Inc., Appleton, WI

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior. **ACTION:** Notice.

Notice is hereby given in accordance with provisions of the Native American